

REMARKS

Claim 1 is revised to incorporate the substance of allowed Claim 11, and Claims 13-15 are cancelled. After entry of the present amendments, Claims 1-3, 5-9, and 12 remain.

The previous Office action indicated that Claim 11 would be allowable if rewritten to overcome a rejection under 35 USC § 112, second paragraph, and to include all limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. The undersigned on May 12, 2006 called the Examiner, because no 112/2 rejection appears in the last Office action. The Examiner stated that mention of a 112/6 rejection was in error, and that Claim 1 would be allowable if rewritten to include the limitations set forth in Claim 11.

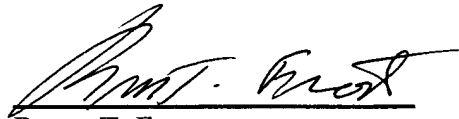
Accordingly, Claim 1 is here amended to include all limitations from Claim 11, and the undersigned submits that Claim 1 and all claims depending therefrom are now allowable. Claims 14 and 15, withdrawn from consideration by the Examiner as directed to a non-elected invention, are cancelled without prejudice.

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The foregoing is submitted as a complete response to the Office action identified above. Entry of the present amendments will remove all issues remaining in this application and will place the application in condition for allowance. For that reason, the Applicant respectfully solicits such entry and awaits a Notice of Allowance in due course.

Respectfully submitted,

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